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**COMMENT OF THE DAY**

**Socialists' Come-Back**

THE county council election results have manifested a bewildering change of mind by the British electorate. Six months ago in national elections the voters indicated they desired a complete change of government and returned the Conservatives to power at the expense of the Socialists; now they have swung their preference back again to Labour in the county council contests—a metamorphosis in views not easy to explain or understand. The Socialists glibly insist that their latest successes are due to general dissatisfaction with the manner the Tory Government has handled national affairs during the past five months. The explanation is a little too simple and ignores a number of factors. Municipal and county elections do not capture the imagination of the voters to anything like the same degree as national elections; nor are political issues so clearly defined. The personal appeal of the individual candidate very frequently influences the voting with the result that the "favourite son" is often chosen by the voters even though he may not have behind him the campaigning machinery of a party organisation.

It is fairly certain that a number of Conservative candidates in the county elections were defeated because of apathy on the part of their supporters—a disinclination to vote in what is regarded as a domestic and therefore not particularly important election. The Socialists, on the other hand, clearly marshalled all their forces, campaigned with vigour and saw to it that they polled as near maximum strength as human endeavour could assure. Moreover, being relegated to the opposition benches in the House of Commons, they were given the incentive to fight their hardest for successes in the county contests as a solace for their defeat in last year's General Elections. They have good reason to feel satisfied with the outcome of their efforts. They have captured control of two councils from the Tories, retained control in other areas, and in several districts have severely reduced the Conservative majorities. It would be idle for the Conservatives to deny that they have been out-campaigned, nor can party headquarters ignore the warning that any apathy on the part of their followers means defeat in any election.

THE Tories still have the opportunity of regaining ground lost during the current county elections when the contests for control of local boroughs take place within the next five weeks. From a political prestige point of view they cannot afford to suffer heavy reverses in these elections. The challenge is to the ability of local party organisers to persuade their supporters to turn out and vote en masse. The Socialists can be expected to poll their maximum; wherefore any reluctance on the part of their opponents to vote must inevitably produce similar results to those which have so dramatically featured the county council elections. The Conservatives cannot afford to allow themselves to lose their grip on the confidence of the public even in purely parochial elections.

**East-West Trade Proposals: London Reaction**

**OFFER LIKED IF FREE OF POLITICAL STRINGS**

London, Apr. 7. Russia's sweeping week-end offer for billions of dollars of trade with the West brought the cautious official admission here today that the expansion of East-West trade would be welcomed provided no political strings were attached.

An official spokesman said that trade with the Communist world must remain determined by security considerations and so long as the present political tension prevails there can be no question of removing or relaxing the ban on strategic exports.

But the range of exportable goods is wide enough to permit the legitimate expansion of East-West exchanges if Moscow genuinely wants to follow such a course, the spokesman added.

**Scientists' Balloon Test Fails**

Glasgow, Apr. 7. A giant balloon carrying photographic and radio equipment for studying cosmic ray activity in the stratosphere crashed and disappeared in the sea off the coast of Scotland today within an hour of its release.

Scientists who had sent it up from here had hoped it would remain in the air for four hours, climbing to 100,000 feet before releasing a parachute with its recording equipment.

But the balloon, 100 feet from top to bottom and made of transparent plastic, was "seen" by radar to reach only 55,000 feet before it plunged into the North Sea near North Berwick.

Aircraft and high-speed launches rushed to the vicinity of the crash but had failed to find any trace of the balloon several hours later.

The scientists, led by Professor Cecil Powell, of Bristol University, 1950 Nobel Prize winner for cosmic radiation studies, could not explain the failure but plan to try again tomorrow with another balloon from another Scottish site.

They were continuing on the results from today's ascent test to keep a group of physicists working hard for months in their research on nuclear energy and the structure of matter.—Reuter.

**County Elections: Labour Still Piling Up Gains**

London, Apr. 7. Labour was steadily piling up gains today in Britain's regional "general election," where the party has already won between 200 and 300 seats spread over 41 county councils.

Pending a final check the Conservatives tonight put the Labour gains at 237. The Labour Party claimed 201 but this included wins of some new seats which did not exist before the election.

Labour seized control from anti-Socialists in Essex with 31 gains and in the West Riding of Yorkshire with 15 gains. Further results today from counties which polled on Saturday showed 10 Labour gains in the residential agricultural county of Surrey—nine from the Conservatives and one from Independents. This left the Conservatives with 51 members, the Independents with 10 and Labour with 13.

Moscow's reports of the Kremlin's alleged readiness to expand trade with the West in the immediate future has been given considerable publicity here and in Western European capitals.

Despite the present restrictions 12 West European countries imported in 1951 a total of \$899,000,000 worth from Russia and satellite States—well over one-fourth more than in the previous year—and they exported to those Communist countries \$655,000,000 worth of goods or nearly one-fifth more than in 1950.

Britain alone bought last year from the Communist world some \$200,000,000 of goods, mostly foodstuffs, and exported to them some \$240,000,000.

The scope of this trade is an important feature in West European trade considerations and this explains the reluctance with which the European NATO members agreed to accept the US demand for strategic exports to Communist countries.

All NATO countries pledged to abide by it. The embargo is known to have upset some of their national economic plans because of the stoppage of supplies of valuable machinery and certain raw materials.

Western diplomats believe that this consideration is the motive for Moscow's latest offer to the West to resume trade on a broad scale. But the offer also may be some new bid in the Kremlin's latest political strategy aimed at the slowing down of Western integration with the West German participation.

A Government spokesman said, "Russia has put out a bait without obvious strings and it will remain to be seen whether it is a bait with built-in strings. If she expects to undermine by it the NATO nations' decision to stop the export of strategic goods, she had better save herself and the trouble of protracted negotiations. But if the offer is genuine, she can find a wide range of goods which we can supply in exchange for Soviet machinery, chemicals, minerals, and deliveries."

Members of the British official delegation of leaving Moscow, Apr. 7. A proposal for the setting up of a commodity group for arranging contacts between buyers and sellers of various countries was made by Mr. B. Buckman, on behalf of the British delegation, at the international economic conference here today.

He moved the organisation of the following sub-committees: machinery, chemicals, minerals, foodstuffs and textiles.

He urged the conclusion of concrete business which, he said, would establish the conference as successful.

Another British, Mr. J. Perry, suggested the organisation of permanent trading committees which would appeal to the United Nations Commission for Europe and various governments to exchange trading businessmen.

A discussion, in the meantime, was going on in other sections of the conference about the problems of backward countries and methods of promoting international trade. Individual businessmen also exchanged views in the lobbies.—United Press.

Labourites were reported today to be planning to proceed from Moscow to Peking to examine prospects for increased trade with China. The British attention has been focused chiefly on the possibility of increased textile exports as part of a campaign against the growing crisis in that industry.

**TECHNIQUE EXPLAINED**  
A Board of Trade spokesman described the present technique in Britain and most of the NATO countries as follows:

The export of war equipment of any type is prohibited as well as several hundred different industrial items of strategic importance which might assist Communist nations in their war efforts. Other industrial goods and raw materials are subject to licensing and exports are granted on the merits of each individual case. But outside these commodities, there is a wide range of goods of all types that can be freely exported to countries including Russia, and including most of the consumer goods like textiles, household goods and motor cars.

China is an exception, because every export there needs permission following the May 1951 UN resolution which put a comprehensive ban on the exports of war materials to that country and made strict supervision obligatory for UN members. Only 21 licences for textile exports to China have been granted in Britain in the past six months at the monthly average of £30,000 according to an official spokesman.—United Press.

**BRITON'S PROPOSAL**

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**Minister Resigns**

Ankara, Apr. 7. The Turkish Minister of Interior, Fevzi Lutfi Manoglu, has resigned from the Cabinet, it was announced here today. Mr. Manoglu was one of the Democratic Party's most influential members and is said to have resigned following disagreement with the Turkish Premier on home policy problems. Premier Adnan Merickez has taken over his portfolio.—France-Press.

**S. Africans Protest**



Mr. Bailey Bekker addresses one of the United Party protest meetings on the steps of Johannesburg City Hall, South Africa. The meeting, one of many held in the main towns throughout the Union, was to protest against the Malan Government's rejection of the Supreme Court invalidation of the act to remove Cape coloured voters from the electoral roll, and demanded the Government's resignation.—London Express.

**Diplomatic Activity In Cairo**

Cairo, Apr. 7. The British Ambassador to Egypt, Sir Ralph Stevenson, tonight saw the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Abdel Hassouna, for the second time in eight hours of intense diplomatic activity in which the Egyptian Premier and the American Ambassador also took part.

First he saw Abdel Hassouna this morning. Then he had a 75-minute meeting with the Premier, Naguib Hilaly Pasha, during which he was understood to have handed over an aide memoire covering nearly a month of the Anglo-Egyptian exploratory talks.

The American Ambassador, Mr. Jefferson Caffery, saw Hilaly Pasha immediately after Sir Ralph Stevenson. He later told reporters that his mediation efforts had met with "success in some points."

Tonight's meeting between Sir Ralph and Hassouna Pasha lasted an hour and 10 minutes. Both sides continued to maintain the "utmost secrecy" about the talks, which are officially still in the "exploratory stage."

The American Ambassador's visit to the Egyptian Premier gave rise to fresh rumours that the Anglo-Egyptian talks are in a delicate phase.

Informed sources said that the Sudan question "still remains unsolved."

Asked by reporters about the Middle East Defence Command proposed by Britain, France, the United States and Turkey, Mr. Caffery said: "This question which is closely associated with other issues will naturally be discussed later."—Reuter.

**White House Wedding Rumour**

San Francisco, Apr. 7. A university professor said on Monday that sources in Washington, close to the Truman family are predicting that there will be a White House wedding this Autumn.

The principals, said Prof. Theodore J. Kropp, will be Margaret Truman, daughter of the President, and Marvin Braverman, an attorney. "It's all around Washington," he said, that a White House wedding is planned for the Autumn, and Braverman "is the one who's mentioned most often" as the prospective bridegroom.—Associated Press.

**TRUCE OPTIMISM**

**STILL ALIVE**

Munsan, April 8. A deadlock in the Korean armistice negotiations failed to dampen persistent rumours today that the truce talks were headed toward a climax. The unofficial feeling at this Advance Camp was that an armistice could be reached within three weeks. It appeared to arise mainly from statements by Communists outside the conference tents that their delegates are seeking compromises. The subcommittee sessions began again at Panmunjom at 11 a.m. today. Monday's session on truce supervision was short. Each side restated briefly its position on two of the three key issues blocking a truce. Communist insistence on Russia as one of the six neutral inspectors and Allied demands for a ban on military aircraft construction.

**IN RECESS**  
Staff officers considering the other key issue—exchange of prisoners—remained in recess. The Reds have insisted on the return of all prisoners. The Allies, to protect those who say they have renounced Communism, insisted that no prisoner should be returned against his will.

Cautious optimism in Munsan stemmed mainly from Sunday night's broadcasts by the Pyongyang and Peking radios saying the Reds would grant immunity to all prisoners returned by the Allies.

Unofficial observers regard the broadcasts as a possible swing of the Red attitude on prisoners and an indication of willingness to compromise. Observers recalled also that Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, after conferring in Munsan with top Allied delegates, announced on Friday that progress was being made in the negotiations in general and in the prisoner exchange talks in particular.—Associated Press.

**TEXTILE CRISIS: CABINET TALKS**

London, Apr. 7. The Cabinet met at the House of Commons tonight to study measures for countering the slump in the Lancashire textiles industry, where 75,000 workers are partially or totally idle.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Richard Butler, was expected to make a statement late tonight during the House of Commons debate on his Bill giving effect to his Budget. Members of Parliament on both sides have urged removal of the purchase (sales) tax on all cotton and rayon textiles in British shops to boost domestic sales.—Reuter.

**America Suspends Steel Exports**

Washington, Apr. 7. The United States today suspended all exports of steel because of the strike due to start on Wednesday.

The order, made by the National Production Authority, also froze deliveries of steel to American firms making motor cars and other civilian goods.

It is designed to conserve finished steel for defence production.

An official told Reuter that the order would be followed by a stockpiling of supplies.

Mr. Henry Fowler, chief of the National Production Authority, said that the freeze would remain in force only long enough to allow officials to locate and withdraw from sale the types of steel suitable for defence work.

Officials said that car producers have material on hand for three or four weeks of uninterrupted work.

Defence Production Administrator Fleischmann called it a precautionary measure because steel work stoppage would have "an immediate drastic effect" on the atomic energy programme, jet engine and ammunition production and the combustion of new defence plans.

"Direct defence needs must be given first call on the stock of steel still available in a mill so as to stave off a complete shut-down of our defence machine as long as possible," he said.

**BRITAIN AFFECTED**

A Commerce Department official said today that the American steel strike now only 36 hours off "would almost certainly mean immediate suspension of steel shipments to Britain."

He said that the long term effects on the Anglo-American agreement to exchange steel for tin negotiated by Mr. Winston Churchill, the British Prime Minister, in January would depend on how long this strike continued.

Britain was promised about 1,000,000 tons of American steel in exchange for 20,000 tons of Malayan tin. About 200,000 tons of the steel has already been shipped by the United States.

Mr. Nathan P. Finletter, Chairman of the Government's Wage Stabilisation Board met steel company managements and union leaders again last night and today to try to prevent a walk-out of 700,000 steel workers at one minute after midnight tomorrow night but could report no progress.

Union-management talks were broken off last Thursday when Mr. Phillip Murray, steel union chief, rejected a company wage offer below that recommended by the Wage Stabilisation Board. There was one break today in the almost solid front shown by the companies. The Barium Steel Company, with four plants employing 3,600 workers, signed an independent agreement with the union.—Reuter.

**Bill Given Approval**

London, Apr. 7. The government today won approval of its finance bill on the second reading in the House of Commons. The vote was 309-274.—United Press.

**North Pole Rescue**

Fairbanks, Alaska, Apr. 7. An American Air Force plane, flying to within 200 kilometres (about 125 miles) of the North Pole, evacuated yesterday three of 12 Navy men from an island on which their own disabled plane is awaiting a new engine.

The plane was one of two engaged on a scientific expedition to the Pole. The other took off successfully from the island, which is called T-3.

An airstrip big enough for a four-engine plane to land will be needed before the heavy new engine can be landed on the island.

The engine change will have to be made in bitter subzero temperatures, in which a man's hands would freeze in a second if not fully protected.

The only shelter is a small encampment of four huts built from snow blocks and canvas.—Reuter.

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## Talks May Be Broken Off

The Hague, Apr. 7. The Israeli delegation today broke off, at least temporarily, the reparations talks with Western Germany after receiving what it called a completely unsatisfactory offer from the German delegation.

Dr. Gerson Armer of the Israeli delegation said his Government would decide whether the talks should be broken off completely.

The talks began here on March 21 with Israel demanding one and a half billion dollars.—Associated Press.

## Historic Deep Sea Exploits

### ACHIEVEMENT OF DANISH PARTY

San Francisco, Apr. 7. A sleek Danish ship pulled into San Francisco harbour yesterday after a year and a half of the deepest sea fishing in history.

In a laboratory below the decks of the frigate Galathea a scientific team catalogued and preserved for further study thousands of specimens of strange ocean life, many forms of which have never been seen by men before.

The prizes of the catch include nine kinds of fish taken from the bottom of "Philippine Deep", more than six miles below the surface of the Pacific.

Before the Galathea's expedition such depths were totally unknown, according to Dr. Anton Bruun, head of the expedition.

He said: "Previous to our expedition, 18,000 feet was the deepest from which animals were taken. We found 150 new kinds of fish between 10,000 feet and 24,000 feet."

**TINY ANEMONE**  
Tiny sea anemone, about an inch long, and living bacteria that cannot survive except under the extreme pressures of the deep ocean area, were forms of life that were not known to exist until drawn up out of their sea floor home by the Galathea.

A 40,000-foot cable weighing eight tons and with a net attached, was used to troll the ocean floor in all its deepest places around the world.

The expedition left Copenhagen on October 15, 1950 after years of preparation.

The Danes, long famed for their seafaring, were looking for the answers to questions raised by a deep sea expedition made 100 years earlier—in 1840.—United Press.

## Australian Attitude Expounded

Sydney, Apr. 7. Mr Richard Casey, Australian Minister for External Affairs, said today that he had explained to Dr I. R. Soekarno, the President of Indonesia, that any change in the sovereignty of Dutch New Guinea would have a devastating effect on Australian opinion.

Western New Guinea was the only part of Holland's former East Indies colonial possessions not transferred to Indonesia in 1949. It is now being claimed by Indonesia, which calls it Irian.

Eastern New Guinea is a mandated territory under the administration of Australia.

Mr Casey, who called at Djakarta on his way back from the Colombo Plan conference at Karachi, said that Indonesia had very firm ambitions in Dutch New Guinea.

He had talked freely and at length about Dutch New Guinea at his first meeting with Dr Soekarno.

While Indonesia had its ambitions concerning Dutch New Guinea, Dr Soekarno valued Australia's friendship and public opinion, Mr Casey said.

"I explained that the whole problem had to be discussed in the larger context of international politics and that there would be a devastating effect on Australian public opinion with a change in sovereignty," he said.—Reuter.

# NEW CONSTITUTION FOR THE SUDAN GETS MIXED RECEPTION IN KHARTOUM

Khartoum, Apr. 7. Sudanese Members of Parliament met today to debate proposals for giving their country internal self-government against a background of divided opinion on whether it went far enough.

The Legislative Assembly considered the draft of a new Constitution sponsored by the British Governor-General, Sir Robert Howe, giving the Sudan a two-chamber Parliament, its own Prime Minister and an all-Sudanese Council of Ministers.

But some political parties today were reported in open opposition to the draft, some to favour it and some to be hesitant.

Under the proposed Constitution Sir Robert Howe will be constitutional head of the Government in supreme command of the Army and will be responsible for foreign affairs until such time as the Sudanese decide on their future status as an independent country or in some form of union with Britain or Egypt.

The new Socialist Republican Party discussed the draft last night and was understood to support it. This party wants the Sudan to become an independent Socialist Republic.

Leaders of pro-Egyptian parties have condemned the draft statute. Spokesman for As-Sigra, which wants self-government under Egypt, said that the Governor-General is given dictatorial powers.

### CHANGED ATTITUDE

The Unionist Party said that the draft did not fix a date for self-determination.

The Umma Party, the majority party in the Legislative Assembly, was today reported to have changed its attitude.

Sayed Sibkil El Mahdi, leader of the Umma Party, flew to Khartoum from the Western Sudan last night to attend a special meeting of the party.

Usually reliable party sources said today that the party wanted direct elections through out the Northern Sudan, and the elimination of certain indirect elections provided for in the draft.

Reliable sources said that if the demands were not met the party would boycott the elections.—Reuter.

### EDEN STATEMENT

London, Apr. 7. The Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, told the House of Commons today that he earnestly hoped that all Sudanese political factions would sink their differences about the future of their country.

Two Labour Members of Parliament, Mr Tom Driberg and Mr Fennor Brockway, had asked if he would make a statement on the new constitutional proposals for the Sudan and the attitude of Sudanese opinion towards them.

Mr Eden replied, "The draft legislation which was laid before the Legislative Assembly in the Sudan on April 2 represented a further stage in the process of consultation with the Sudanese people about constitutional reform which originated with the establishment of an Amending Commission approximately 12 months ago."

"The legislation is in the form of an amendment to the 1948 Executive Order and is designed to take into the fullest possible account the views and desires of all sections of responsible Sudanese opinion."

"A debate on the proposals in the Legislative Assembly begins tomorrow."

### DWINDLING CLUB

Philadelphia, Apr. 7. Members of the dwindling society of the "Last Man of Forty Veterans Club" met here last night and raised their glasses once again to toast the last of them to die.

Only 28 of the original 40 members were present.

The Society was formed among World War I veterans 20 years ago. They have met annually since then to drink the toast to those who did not survive the year.—United Press.

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## "Operation Venus De Milo" Opens

Paris, Apr. 7. Over 70 Generals, Admirals and Air Marshals from 10 NATO countries assembled here today when General Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Commander of the North Atlantic Pact Forces, opened the most important exercise since the setting up of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery greeted the Supreme Commander at the entrance of the three-storey mansion in the West End of Paris, specially hired for the occasion and under special guard.

American, British and French military police armed with revolvers kept watch in the mansion lobby and French police patrolled the pavement outside.

The four-day exercise is being held in strict secrecy to determine NATO action in case of an attack from Eastern Europe. There are no troops involved. Most of those attending are Chiefs of Staff.

Lord Montgomery will direct the exercise.

The exercise has been given the code word "CPX1"—Command Post Exercise No. 1—but officers nicknamed it "Operation Venus de Milo" because there were no arms but plenty of shape.

Over 60 officers have booked seats for tonight's show at the Folies Bergere, a SHAPE officer disclosed. Others intend to go to the Comedie Francaise.

The countries represented are America, Belgium, France, Britain, Canada, Denmark, Greece, Holland, Italy and Norway.—Reuter.

## War Hero In Freak Accident

Grant's Pass, Oregon, Apr. 7. George Tweed, who survived 32 months of a hide-and-seek game with the Japanese in World War II, was injured seriously in a peacetime pursuit over the week-end.

He fell 30 feet from a tree while putting up a swing for children, broke his left leg and suffered a fracture in the back. He will be in hospital for a fortnight and then must wear a body cast several months longer.

Tweed was known as the "Ghost of Guam" in World War II. As a Navy lieutenant, he was trapped on Guam by the Japanese attack at the war's outbreak. He survived 32 months in caves and bushes here, and relayed information on the Japanese forces before he was finally liberated by a Navy landing force in 1944.

He now has a ranch southwest of here.—Associated Press.

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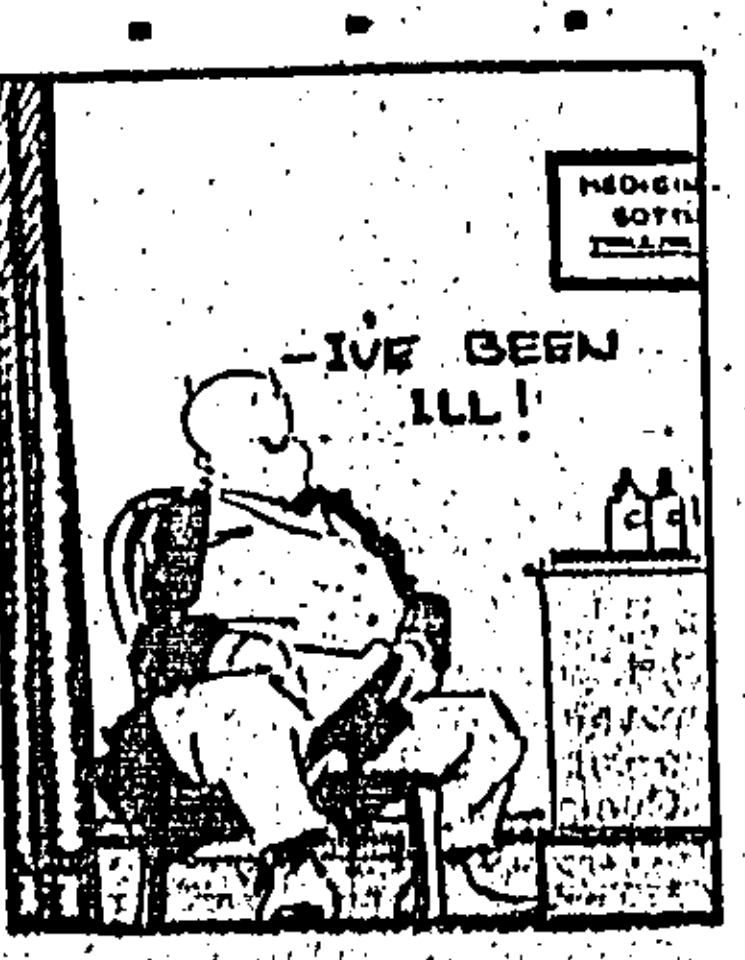
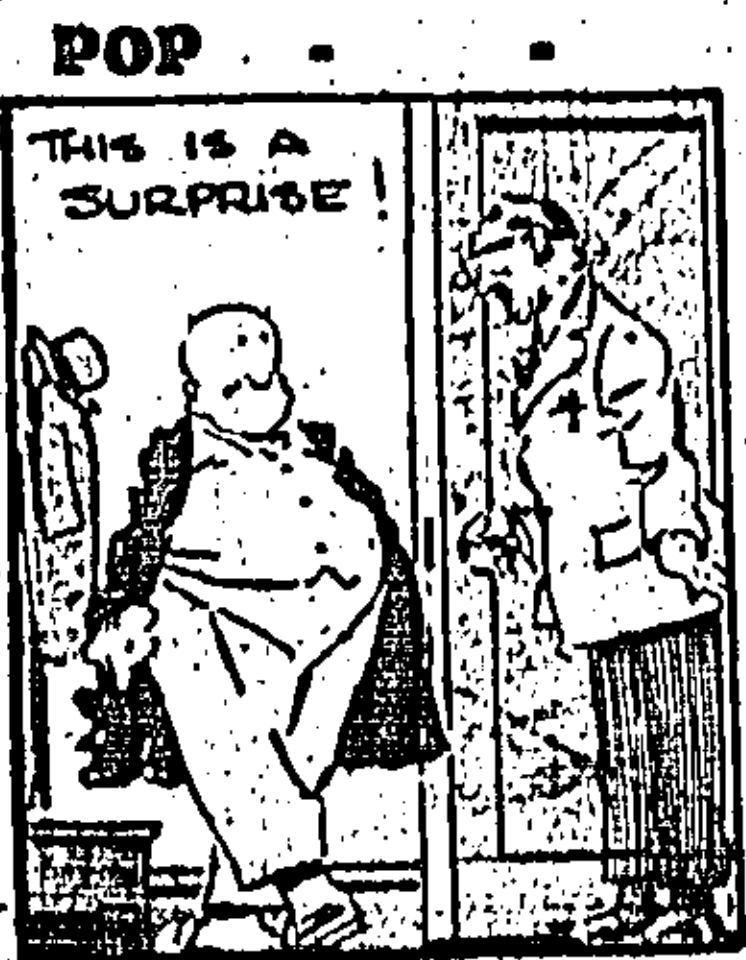
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# Senator Taft Tipped For Another Triumph In Mid-West Primary

New York, Apr. 7.

The Mid-West farm belt continues to be the main battle-ground of presidential aspirants in this week's primary elections.

Illinois is to choose tomorrow 50 delegates to each party's national convention in July. Kansas on Thursday will name 22 Republicans and 16 Democrats.

Fifty of the 60 Illinois delegates are to be elected by direct voting of registered supporters of both parties, and 10 would be named by the State convention of each party later.

## Washington Compiling A New Black List

Washington, Apr. 7.

The Commerce Department is drawing up a new black list of foreign firms said to be violating American export controls in their trade with the Soviet Union.

Similar to the list of firms illegally trading with Germany during the war, the new black list was stated by American officials to be an intensification of the drive to prevent the shipment of strategic and semi-strategic materials to the Soviet Union and the Communist bloc of countries.

Officials said that Moscow's \$10,000,000,000 trade offer to the West last Saturday gave a new impetus to efforts to deny the Communists the materials and equipment which could build up their rearmament programme.

Foreign firms sending these materials behind the Iron Curtain would be reported to their governments. If the governments were receiving mutual security aid and the position did not improve, further action might have to be taken under the Battle Act which Congress passed last year.

The types of goods which the Soviet Union proposed to buy from the West in the next two or three years generally fall into categories which the Battle Act specifically bans from East-West trade.

Thus the offer was made to buy from Italy power equipment, ball-bearings, ships and cranes, from France ships and lead, from Belgium, ships, rubber and tin.

Doubts were expressed that the Soviet Union could live up to her part of the bargain by exporting the quantities of raw materials necessary to pay for her imports.—Reuter.

Seasoned political observers were today almost unanimous that Illinois would be another Mid-West triumph for Senator Taft. They expected him to roll up at least 45 of the 50 elected delegates.

The Illinois primary is strictly a "popularity" contest. That is, its results are not binding on delegates to the national convention though they may influence leanings.

Senator Taft, leaving nothing to chance in Illinois, had stumped the State for a week. Mr. Harold Stassen, his opponent, had also conducted a fairly active campaign with no sign that he was making up lost ground.

General Eisenhower's supporters had pushed a "write-in" drive for him. But in Illinois strict legal conditions make it almost certain that many "write-in" votes would be ruled invalid, and possibly the effect would be to minimise the recorded support for General Eisenhower.

Observers estimated that if he secured 20 per cent of the total vote, he would do well. If his percentage was substantially over that figure, any preponderance of Taft delegates would be decreased in significance.

### TRUMAN'S FAVOURITE

On the Democratic side, Senator Estes Kefauver is the only aspirant with his name on the ballot paper.

A "write-in" candidate is Illinois Governor Adlai Stevenson, generally regarded as the favourite of President Truman and the Democratic Party "bosses".

Mr. Stevenson, publicly declaring his intention not to stand for presidential nomination, has his name unopposed on the ballot for re-nomination as Democratic candidate for the governorship election next November.

Mr. Stevenson is in a pickle about his choice of office. A certainty for re-election as Governor, the prospect of a White House tenancy for four years is tempting him to hold back a firm and final refusal of the Democratic nomination.

Thus, the party "machine" is working to secure a popular "write-in" vote for Mr. Stevenson, "the favourite son" in the parlance of United States politicians.

The "write-in" campaigns in both parties and the speeches of Mr. Taft, Mr. Stassen and Mr. Kefauver have combined to

awaken more than customary interest in the primary. Of the State's 4,818,000 registered voters between 1,180,000 and 2,000,000 are expected to turn out tomorrow to cast votes.

In Kansas on Thursday General Eisenhower is believed almost certain to gain a big majority of the 22 Republican delegates—probably 19 to 3.

Mr. Taft, according to preliminary Congressional district (electorate) conventions already held, Kansas is the General's home State.

The outcome of the Democratic convention is likely to be non-committal with the chosen delegates instructed about their national convention votes.—Reuter.

## One Reason For Visit To Moscow

Moscow, Apr. 7.

Japanese Professor (Mrs) Kono Tomi, who arrived here from Paris, said today that she had come to Moscow because she was a pacifist Quaker and World Federalist and therefore wanted to see what could be done to promote international understanding through trade.

She declared that the Japanese Government had not forbidden her to come to Moscow since she was a responsible Conservative worthy of trust.

She was received most warmly by the Russians, she said, although there were no diplomatic relations between the two countries.

Professor Tomi regretted that Japanese industrialists and businessmen were not attending the Conference here.

She would remain here another week to visit the Christian Churches in Moscow and would then return to Japan via Copenhagen.—France-Press.

## Concessions Likely To Be Made Over Trieste

London, Apr. 7.

Representatives from the United States, Britain and Italy met again at the Foreign Office this afternoon to continue their discussions on the administration of the Anglo-American Zone of Trieste.

American and British officials held a preliminary meeting this morning to form a first opinion on what could be conceded to Italian demands.

Up to now the three-Power talks, which began here last week, have only been exploratory, but this week the American and British delegates are expected to tell Italy how far they can agree to the Italian proposals.

These are believed to include the appointment of a senior Italian Government official in Trieste, the assumption of control of many departments of local government and the right of appeal from local courts to the Rome Court of Cassation.

A key member of the American delegation, Mr. Joseph Greene, of the State Department, arrived here yesterday. The Italian delegation has been strengthened by the arrival on Saturday of Professor Carlo Schiffrer, a senior Italian official from Trieste.

The conference is only concerned with the possibility of giving Italy a share in the administration of the Anglo-American Zone and not with the future status of the Free Territory as a whole.

The British and American delegations are expected to give an opinion on the feasibility of the Italian proposals.

The conference today heard various expert statements on the proposals. Usually well-informed quarters here thought that the British and Americans favoured the transfer to the Italians of the supreme control of non-political departments of local government in Zone A, such as production, commerce and public works.

After today's meeting the Foreign Office drafted in a communiqué: "A further discussion took place on the present organisation and functions of the Allied Military Government with the participation of experts from Trieste."—Reuter.

## WOMAN MINISTER



Mrs. G.H. Ross, New Zealand Minister for the Welfare of Women and Children, photographed on a visit to London recently. She has been an M.P. for six years.—Central Press.

## NEW TALKS ON EMPIRE FINANCES

London, Apr. 7.

Commonwealth finance officials and economic experts who meet here privately in the early summer will survey all the Sterling Area's latest problems, a Treasury spokesman said today.

The date for the conference of financial officials and economic experts has not been fixed but it would most probably be held in May.

The talks would be in the nature of a survey with the officials and experts reporting back to their governments at the end.

The officials will also consider the views of the various governments on the reports of the Commonwealth Development Committee and of its Commonwealth Correlation Plans Committee.

These reports were prepared by two working parties of officials and experts after the Finance Ministers' secret conference in London last January. After examining Commonwealth views on the two reports the officials will analyse the balance of payments position of the Sterling Area.

They will try to ascertain what progress has been made in implementing the recommendations of the Finance Ministers' conference by the individual governments for putting right the Sterling Area's trading deficit with the rest of the world.—Reuter.

## SCEPTICISM IN WEST OVER NEW RUSSIAN FEELER

Washington, Apr. 7.

State Department observers are reluctant to take cognizance of newspaper despatches from Moscow reporting the Indian Ambassador there as advocating a meeting of the "Big Three" to discuss the problems dividing the world.

They had no information officially from either Moscow or New Delhi on the proposal which has been interpreted in the Press as coming indirectly from Generalissimo Stalin himself.

The Indian Ambassador, Sir Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, conferred with the Generalissimo on April 5.

State Department officials said that no instructions had been sent to the American Ambassador in either New Delhi or Moscow to make enquiries about the proposal.

It was pointed out here that the machinery for a serious submission of proposals for a top-level conference by either India or the Soviet Union exists in the United Nations and in normal diplomatic channels.

Meanwhile, British diplomatic observers in London do not think that the Indian Ambassador's presence in London would give rise to talks on the possibility of a "Big Three" meeting.

The Ambassador is now expected to arrive in London on Wednesday and to stay in Britain not more than 48 hours. Much of this time will be taken up with a private visit to Oxford.

### FRENCH DOUBTFUL

So far there are no signs that he will seek to have serious talks with British Ministers, these observers said. They thought that he would first want to report to his own Government.

In Paris, quarters close to the French Foreign Ministry said tonight that they attached no particular significance to the meeting between Stalin and the Indian Ambassador.

Real proof of Russian goodwill would be a positive reply to the Western note on Germany and a change of attitude towards the Austrian State treaty, these quarters said.

There was no official comment at the French Foreign Ministry about the meeting. Right-wing French Radical circles today quoted rumours that the Indian Premier, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, would soon visit Moscow.

### TRUMAN STANDS PAT

One French newspaper commented, "A possible mediation by India may not have been excluded by the Kremlin."

Back in Washington, White House officials said that there was no change in President Truman's often reiterated policy that he would be pleased to see Generalissimo Stalin if the Generalissimo would come to Washington but that he was opposed to a conference outside the United States.

This puts President Truman more or less in line with Mr. Winston Churchill, the British Prime Minister, in the House of Commons today.

No indication has been received either by the White House or the State Department that the Soviet Government is willing to modify its present policy of opposition to the West to an extent which would create a situation which the West could be expected to regard as "favourable."—Reuter.

## BRITISH RADIO EXHIBITION

London, Apr. 7.

Britain, the world's largest exporter of radio equipment, put her goods on show in London today at a private exhibition for overseas experts.

Visitors from 25 countries are expected for the three-day exhibition. Sir Robert Renwick, President of the British Radio and Electronic Manufacturers' Federation, said at the opening that last year British exports of these goods brought in about £11 million. Orders so far indicated that the figure for 1952 would be around £14 million.—Reuter.

## Nazi Threat To A Judge

Brunswick, Apr. 7.

Germany's new Nazis have threatened chief county judge Jacobus Heppes, who recently sentenced their leader, Otto Ernst Remer, to three months' imprisonment, with hanging from a butcher's meat hook.

Said an anonymous Nazi postcard which reached the chief judge at his Brunswick court: "The gallows with the butcher's hook is waiting for you, you pig-dog. You are among the traitors aided by the enemy."—London Express Service.

## The Refugee Problem

London, Apr. 7.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, told the House of Commons today that over 30 countries, including Israel, had made or offered contributions totalling \$67,000,000 to the proposed United Nations Fund in aid of Arab refugees.

Israel's contribution was \$5,500 towards the total required for the first year of the \$250,000,000, three-year programme. Mr. Eden said.

He added, "In the conversations I have had with the Foreign Secretary of Israel, I was told that they will take steps to deal with the Arab refugee problem within their own borders which is quite a serious one. It will help us a great deal if they could do that."—Reuter.

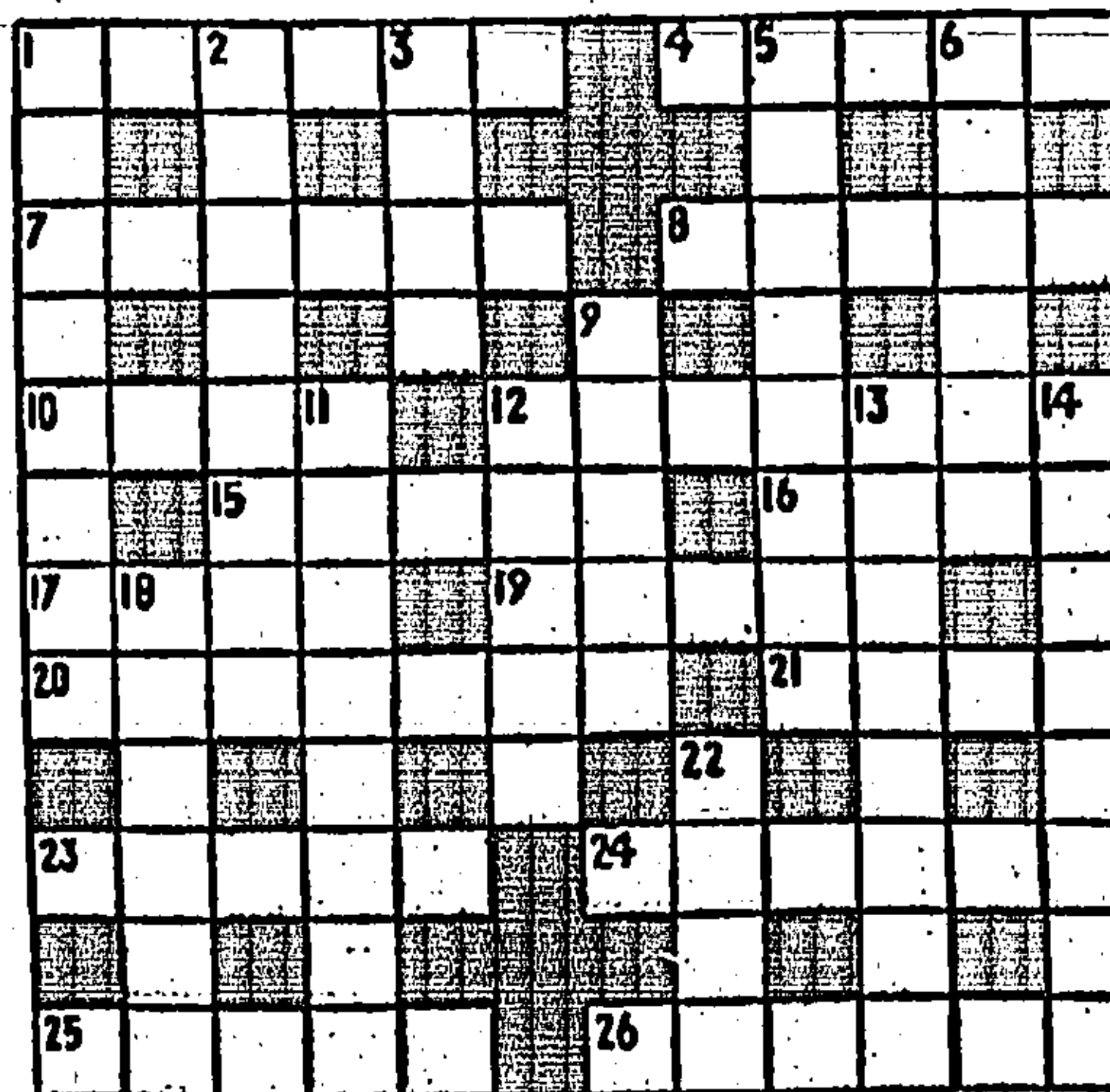
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## A British Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- 1 Very tired (6).
- 2 Deride (5).
- 3 Vigorous (6).
- 4 Corner (6).
- 5 Italian monetary unit (4).
- 6 Comes back (7).
- 7 Message (5).
- 8 Run into (4).
- 9 Smooth (4).
- 10 More modern (5).
- 11 Subtract (7).
- 12 Stern (4).
- 13 Closes up (5).
- 14 Weapon (6).
- 15 Commerce (6).
- 16 Watched over (6).

### DOWN

- 1 Sauntered (6).
- 2 Went aboard (8).
- 3 Plague (4).
- 4 Ate (6).
- 5 Cat-like (6).
- 6 Grants (6).
- 7 Cancelled (8).
- 8 Talks bombastically (5).
- 9 Sought another way (8).
- 10 Alarmed (8).
- 11 Thin coating (6).
- 12 Learned (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Aislaid, 8 Praise, 9 Sediment, 11 Confuses, 12 Boss, 13 Peril, 18 Deter, 19 Cure, 22 Sessions, 24 Réveille, 25 Antler, 26 Displays. Down: 1 Specie, 2 Daunt, 3 Assumed, 4 Seas, 5 Iris, 6 Tremor, 7 Doteat, 10 Debit, 14 Ravel, 15 Lessons, 16 Scared, 17 Craves, 20 Folly, 21 Ukury, 22 Bill, 23 Day.

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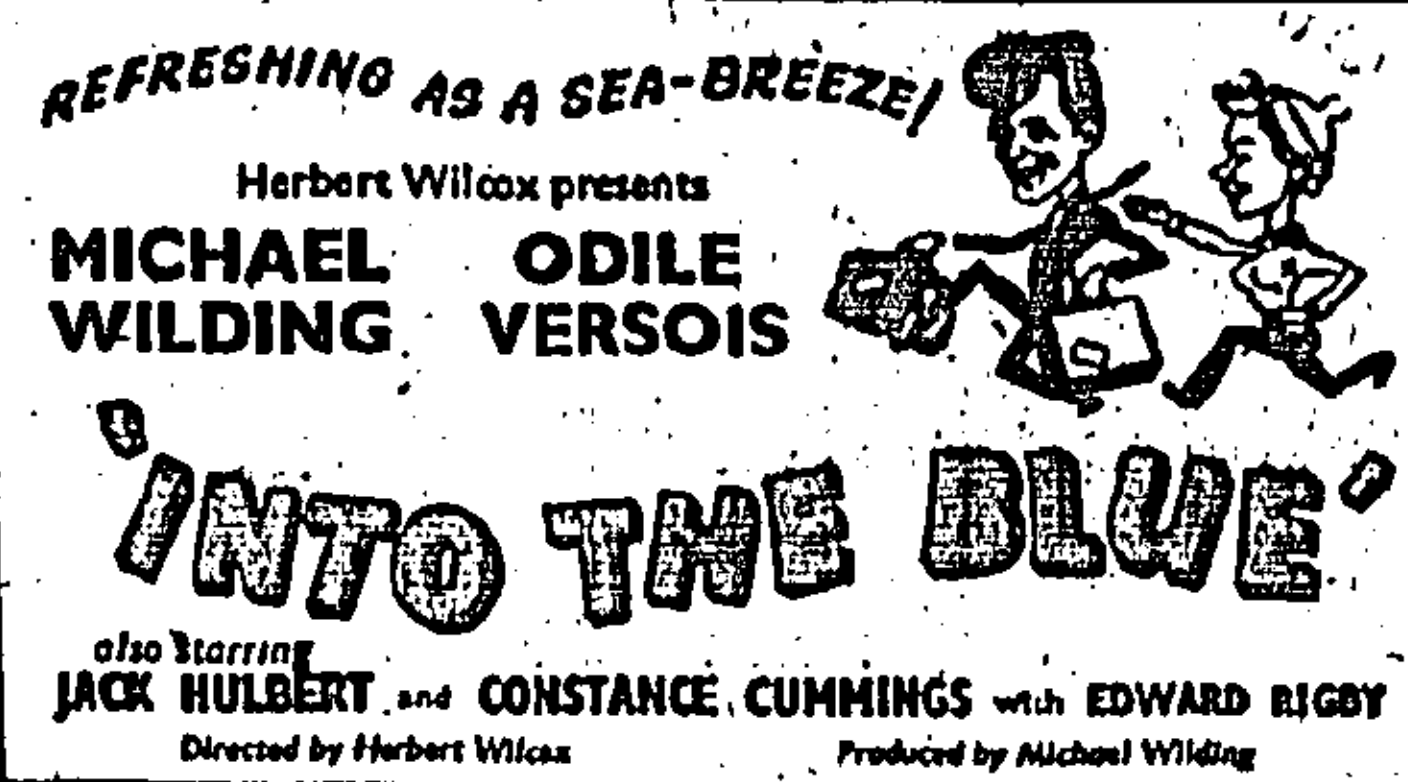
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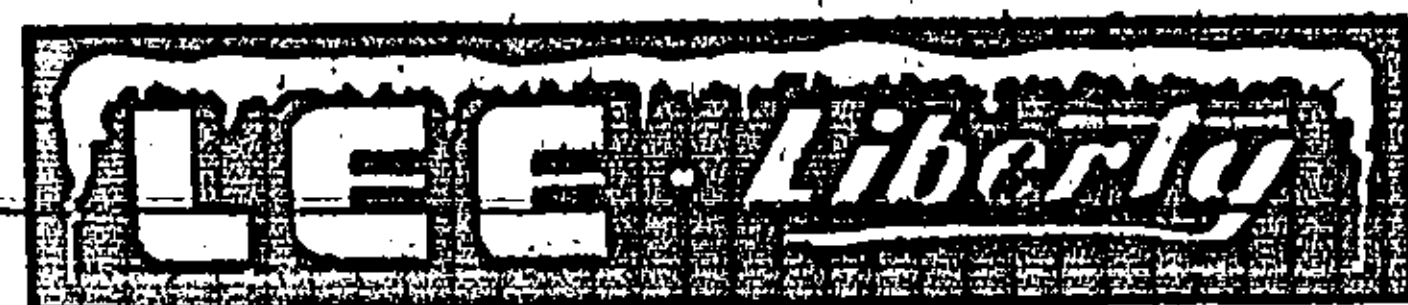
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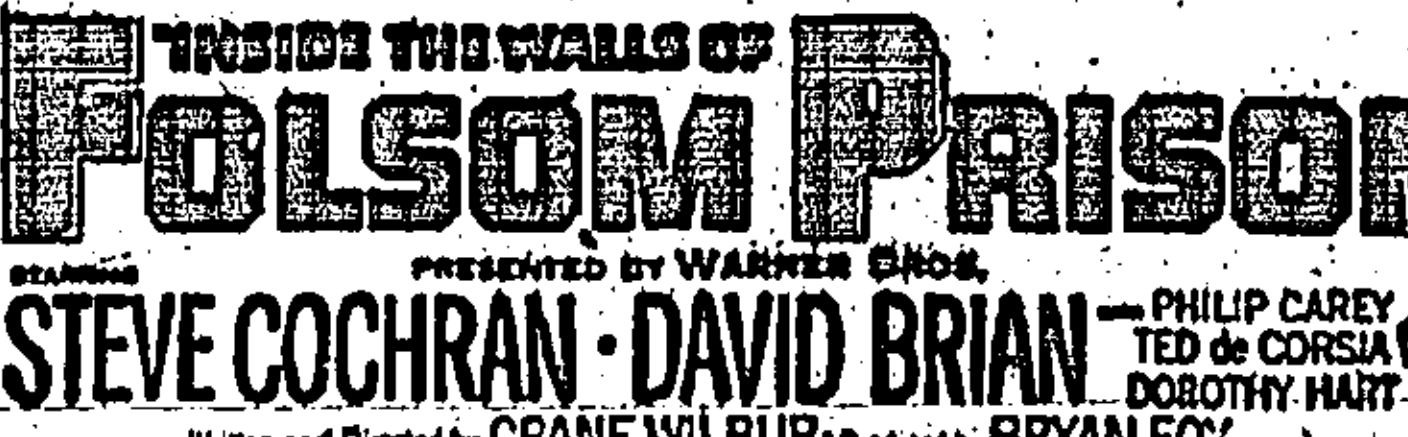


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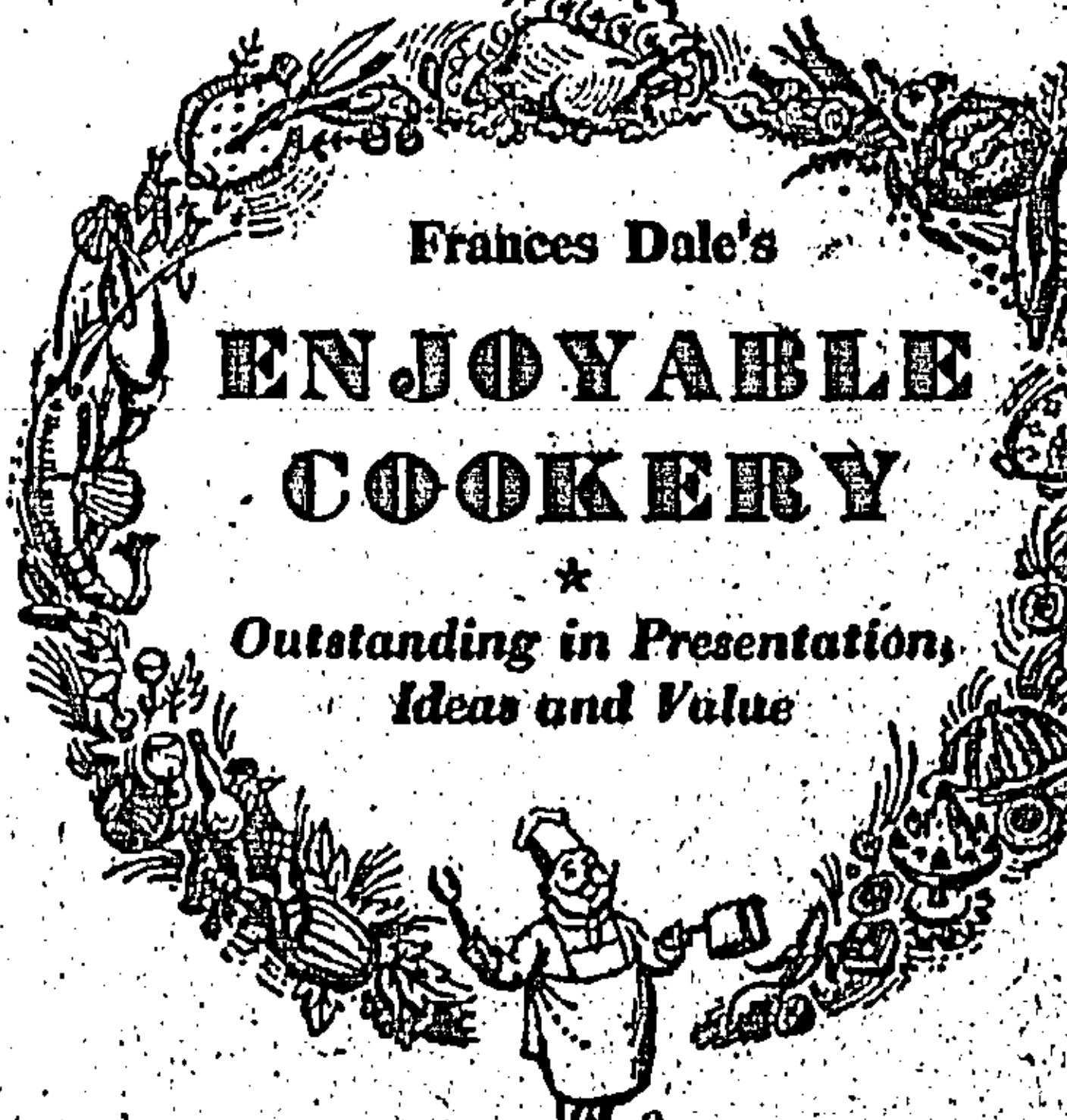
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VERNON BARTLETT'S Spanish journey  
ends (on a mischievous note) at AlgecirasArmada defeat  
is avenged

—at the dining-room doors

To meet another car carrying a G.B. plate almost anywhere in Spain at this season of the year is to feel as Stanley felt when he met Livingstone.

Except in Madrid, I saw only four on the thousand miles of road from north to south between San Sebastian and Granada and from west to east between Portugal and the Pyrenees.

But near Malaga you notice a change. That so many of the cars you meet should be British is not astonishing, for the British motor industry has done well in Spain (and better in Portugal, where it has easily outdone all rivals).

That there are more cars than elsewhere might be explained by the fact that here it is warm, whereas most of Spain in winter is a bitterly cold plateau over 2,500 feet above sea level.

What is remarkable, however, is that all the cars have the letters G.B.Z. on their number plates. Cars from Gibraltar, owned by people anxious to get away for a few hours from the Rock.

## Want to escape

On a Sunday every little bay between Malaga and Cadiz, every place with an exceptional view, has its G.B.Z. car, with its children and its picnic basket.

One can understand this desire to escape from this fantastic mass of stone, for military reasons have led to such a concentration at its foot or on its lower slopes that one must develop claustrophobia.

It was not always thus. Right in the middle of the town is an oasis dating from another age, with its Government House, its dignified cathedral, its early Victorian officers' quarters, its quiet little cemetery in which the men who died at Trafalgar are easily outnumbered by the victims of "malignant fever."

## P. C. disguise

In those days there was no danger as there was during the last war—from guns in the mountains above Algeciras, across the Bay. In those days it would never have occurred to anybody that this impregnable Rock could be rendered useless without aircraft to defend it.

In those days Gibraltar was not busy enough to attract the tens of thousands of Spanish workers who now troop daily past the Spanish frontier guards and the Gibraltarese disguised most successfully as London policemen.

In those days it was not necessary, as it is now, for the British to close the road from the Rock to Spain in order that machines can land on the airfield that has been built on either side of it—with the convenience of the Spaniards, who might have claimed that most

of the land was Spanish, and with the help of tons of soil dug out of the bowels of the Rock during the war.

This little corner of the world is fascinating. A few miles away to the South are the mountains of Africa. A few miles to the North, those of Spain.

And here and around in Gibraltar, there is the same kind of conflict between the interests of local nationalism and international strategy as you find in Hongkong, Port Said and Singapore.

Should the Spaniards one day withhold their labour and their supplies, they could create the same kind of difficulties as the Egyptians have created in the Canal Zone.

## Material gains

Materially, of course, the Spaniards gain from British ownership of the Rock.

Much of the money spent on the Rock reaches Spanish pockets in the form of wages or tourist traffic. A lot more comes from a beneficent kind of smuggling.

Hundreds of British visitors to Gibraltar go home with Spanish ten-guinea suits of clothes; hundreds of thousands of English cigarettes find their way into the Spanish black market. And nobody seems to be much the worse for this unorthodox exchange of goods in a tariff-bound world.

Whether and when the Spaniards will rise against this blatant affront to their national pride, how a conflict can be avoided, are matters outside the scope of this article, for I am fascinated by a conflict of a different kind.

The Spaniards are as individualistic as the indomitably British old ladies and ex-colonels who—with the seasonal help of Spanish postmen, bought with British sterling in Gibraltar—have invaded this part of Spain with their tweeds and their library books.

## Hungry queue

In India or Malaya or East Africa, British habits and customs have been imposed upon the local inhabitants, with only such modifications as the British themselves have chosen to adopt.

But not so in Southern Spain. The Englishman likes to dine at eight or earlier; the Spaniard, at ten or after. British habits have been accepted on Gibraltar. But in Algeciras, in an hotel, where the Rock and its full view of the sea, the uncompromisingly British of the visitors are British, the Spaniards have graciously permitted a compromise.

Few things have given me so high a respect for them (much as I abhor their eating hours) as the sight of the hungry, humiliated and impatient British septuagenarians queuing up in their Algeciras hotel for the dining room doors to be opened as the clock strikes nine.

Twice daily, at lunch-time and at dinner-time, the defeat of the Armada is avenged.

MADAME G.I. HAS GONE OUT  
OF BUSINESS

By SYDNEY SMITH

A FAMOUS little woman with an enormous black canvas shopping bag has disappeared from my quarters.

She was pretty, with a dark, straight fringe above her pale, powdered face. She padded on her rounds in carpet slippers, always wearing a black jacket with a check skirt.

Shyly she would open the black shopping bag and offer for sale canned beans and pork, chewing gum, U.S. Army issue soap, tooth paste, and tooth brushes—and American cigarettes. She was married to an American soldier, she said, and they were selling their PX rations to save money.

Someone called her "Mme. G.I." one day, and it stuck. Then her husband, a tall,

Paris, fair-haired boy from Tennessee, went back to his father's farm.

He preferred it to Mme. G.I.'s idea of settling down in a nice little bistro on the northern outskirts of Paris.

For the next year or so her business slumped. All the PXs were almost all closed, and there were few American troops left in Paris.

Then, suddenly, Mme. G.I.'s trade boomed again. All at once she was able to sell at heavily cut prices seven brands of English and American cigarettes.

With 24 hours' notice she could deliver 500, 1,000—practically any number you liked. Last year she paid 1,000,000 francs deposit, roughly £1,000, on just the little bistro she fancied might tempt the boys back from Tennessee.

Mme. G.I. used to collect her wares from a vulgar, glittering

apartment, a place of grotesque, modern silk-covered furniture, pink mirrors and diffused lighting, not far from Montmartre's Place Pigalle.

Its tenant was a plump, overdressed Corsican, with a pearl tie-pin and a sparkling sapphire on the fat little finger of his right hand. He was one of about 40 Paris contraband bosses.

Four weeks ago—it was the same week Mme. G.I. received another letter from Tennessee insisting: "Come on over, honey"—another character, a 60-year-old tannery owner called Antoine Pinay, came into the picture.

M. Pinay had accepted the delicate and unstable job of Prime Minister of France, with the task of presenting a Budget which might be acceptable.

One of his immediate plans was to avoid increased taxes by an all-out war on tax evasion and fiscal fraud, which he believed could save the country £600 million a year.

One night a week ago a load of five tons of cigarettes was seized on the main road south of Paris at the Porte d'Orleans. At dawn next morning in one of many swift raids the fab Corsican near the Place Pigalle was hauled by the police from his pink silk sheets squelching for

his lawyer. Down in Marseilles, where American contraband cigarettes were sold on the streets in baskets, the police captured ten tons in a single swoop.

From the Place Pigalle the panic is racing all along the Pacific basins of the South of France, to Tanguet, and to Bordeaux. The heat is really on.

How do I know the sad little story of Mme. G.I., the tiny cog in the great industry being fought by M. Pinay?

Because I have found out that she is—as ever—the simple symbol of the times. Mme. G.I. is in goal. I have just seen her police dossier in the women's prison of La Petite Roquette.

Along with such colourful types as "Jo-Jo the Cypriot," "Johnny Camel," "Mile. Lucky" and many more, Mme. G.I. was rounded up last week and given an 18-day sentence.

When she comes out that bistro in the clouds will be gone for good—on the £600 fine.

And they are saying in our quarters: "Eh, bien, perhaps this time she will have the sense to skip off to Tennessee, that poor little Mme. G.I."

(London Express Service)



SOLUTION TO THE SECRET MIXUP

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Eisenhower Gets  
The Film Star  
Treatment

by Hugh Dundas

POLITICALLY and militarily General Eisenhower is the man of the moment.

All Europe, all the United States, and no doubt all the leaders of the East, are watching anxiously to see which way he will go in the next few weeks.

Will it be to Washington, as President of the U.S.A.? Or will he stay in Europe as supreme military defender of the West?

No writer could have chosen a more auspicious moment to publish a book on the man. And here it is today... "EISENHOWER," by John Gunther, the commentator on world affairs who has been getting inside everything and everybody since his "Inside Europe" put the wind up the world in 1936.

Has he got inside Eisenhower? I would say that the positions have been reversed. For this book is as penetrating as the gaze of a sycophant at his idol; as convincing as the character study of a film star written by a publicity agent.

## SO GLOSSY

GUNTHER gushes. He gets right off to a description which would embarrass a beauty queen.

\* "EISENHOWER" (Hamish Hamilton), 10s. 6d.

The general's face is pink and tan; his skin is glossy; his mobile, decisive grin is practically as broad as the English Channel, and his friendly eyes are so bright a sea-blue that they look like spoonfuls of it.

That description from the third page sets the style for the 166 which follow.

In all those pages Gunther says nothing about General Eisenhower which has not been said before.

There emerges no clear picture of the man, either as a soldier or as a politician, but a hazy print of someone who is almost too good to live.

## JUST FOLKS

EVERY opinion is discreetly balanced by a counter opinion. If Eisenhower is first and foremost a general, the next paragraph assures you that he is the most civilian-minded man who ever breathed. If he is a Liberal he leans to conservatism. If he is single-minded, he sees all points of view.

And if he is a citizen of the world he is also above everything an American, a humble American. ("Just folks") from Abilene, Kansas—and mighty proud of it. Mr Gunther's last words are that America has a

right to be proud of him too. And that is really the message of his book.

Eisenhower, one of the outstanding human beings of all time, an intense individual man with strong likes and dislikes, is wrapped up in transparent paper tied with pink ribbon, glowing, gossy, and practically infallible, and thus presented for inspection by voters in the U.S. presidential election.

## DO NOTS

DO NOT TURN to Gunther for information about Eisenhower, the wartime general. You will find nothing new and only little which is old and well known.

DO NOT TURN to Gunther for information about Eisenhower the post-war Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army. You will learn only that he did a lot of travelling.

DO NOT TURN to Gunther for information about Eisenhower the President of Columbia University. You will learn that he was "not a howling success," but that this was not really his fault.

AND DO NOT TURN to Gunther for an account of Eisenhower the present-day Supreme Commander in Europe. You will visit the Eisenhowers at home near Paris (only "very close friends" are invited, but Gunther was there).

You will see the general in his office, swinging a golf club as he talks. You will get an inadequate sketch of the most intricate international military headquarters ever set up.

But you will get no real idea of the size and complexity of the work which Eisenhower is doing.

## SO WOBBLY

THERE remains only one reason for turning to the book, its value as information and guidance on the problems of the moment.

Will Eisenhower run for President this year? Should he run for President? What will happen to Europe's defence built-up if he does—or does not? What are his chances of being elected?

I still recommend that you do not turn to Gunther, even though his book has clearly been written with the presidential election in view.

It may influence the American voter. It merely confuses me. In his efforts to keep the general acceptable to the greatest number of people, Gunther makes him wobble gingerly down the broadest possible road of opinion.

And that is not like Eisenhower, who is nothing if not forthright!

## SO UNWORTHY

AS an election pamphlet the book may be a success. But as a commentary on a situation of world importance and as a picture of a very great man it is a failure.

It is unworthy of Gunther. And it is even more unworthy of Eisenhower.

Terrible  
Tawm Is  
In A Fix

From R. M. MacColl

Washington. THE Republicans are playing a naughty trick on Democrat Senator Tom ("Terrible Tawm") Connally, 75-year-old cigar-smoking chairman of the important Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Lately "Tawm" has become more and more testy, and his outbursts on the Senate floor and in committee are increasingly intemperate.

This is because he faces a very tough fight for re-election back in Texas, where his opponent is depicting him as a spineless adherent of Dean Acheson's foreign policies.

But until recently, when "Terrible Tawm" went too far in a Senate speech, he could afterwards "edit out" the most outspoken bits before the speech went into Congressional records. But now the Republicans get hold of a verbatim transcript of the original, and then one of their number gets up and re-reads it to the Senate. And "Tawm" is powerless to edit the speech of any other member.

IN PHILADELPHIA District Attorney Richardson Dilworth says he knows for a fact that gambling is by no means extinct. How can he be certain? Seems his telephone rang in the City Hall, and when he picked it up, a voice said: "Hey, Joe, what was the result of the fifth at Gulfstream?"

WHEN I DROVE out to a millionaire's resort called Gibson Island, 20 miles south of Baltimore on Chesapeake Bay, the other day, a heavily armed policeman stopped me at the only entrance to the estate. He and his colleagues are on duty all the time and I could only get in because the people I was visiting had given the policeman full particulars about me.

So, I handed my chauffeur a map, showing just how to get to my friend's house.

THE Washington Post refers to Marlene Dietrich as "that beloved baritone."

CONSIDERING little item from Hollywood: Chaplin and Max Snowball left Broadway a few months back for a film contract with Twentieth Century-Fox. He made one film, "Song in My Heart," under his real name. Then some master mind decided he must henceforth be known as Coney Adams. So he's made another film, "My Wife's Best Friend," as Mr. A. The two films will be showing pretty well simultaneously.

THERE is a renewed slump in the textile and clothing industries. Civilian orders still lag—and now the military orders are fast fading too.

THE ARMY Quartermasters Corps has been conducting a survey of the likes and dislikes of the troops. Seems the soldier of 1952 prefers turkey to all other meat, steak included, and detests vegetables, turnips, Favourite vegetable: sliced tomatoes and buttered corn on the cob. Pet peeve: Asparagus and candied parsnips.

THE most banal headline (referring to the Truman statement): "Bombshell is dropped." And most regrettable misprint: "For months past Truman has played a rat and mouse game with the reporters."

HERE'S a change—a TV programme which tries to deal with crime soberly and objectively. It is called "Foursquare Court," and features former convicts, wearing black eye masks to shield their identities, who have gone straight.

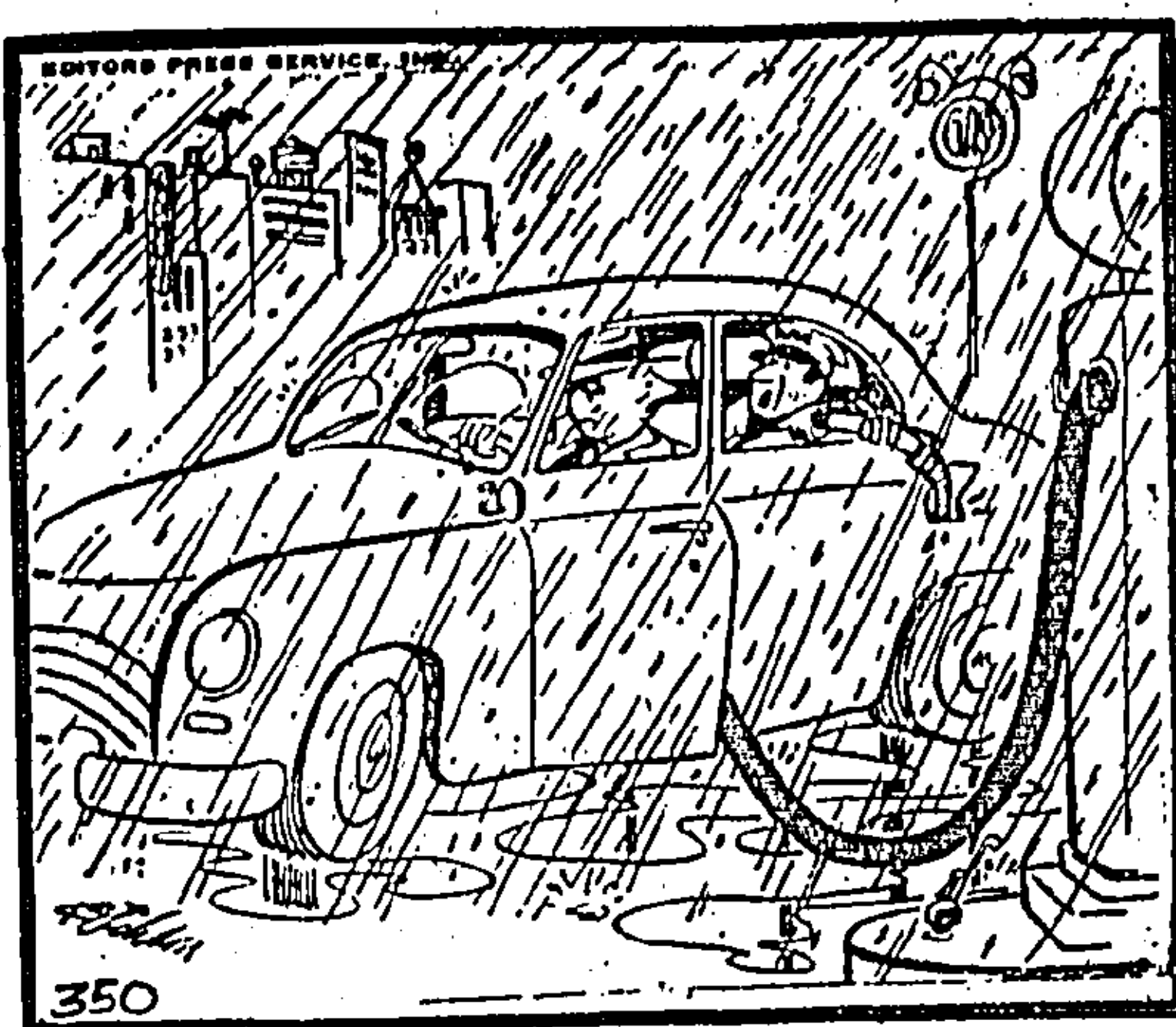
THE HUMAN TOUCH Mrs. Anna Rosenberg has the grim job of Assistant Secretary of Defence. But a famous New York milliner reports that Anna has "enough pretty hats to open a hat shop of her own."



For Heaven's sake stay home. Clutterbuck. Do you want to be described as a nuisance... while carrying germ warfare?

London Express Service.





"Rotten weather we're having, isn't it?"

## • BY THE WAY •

by Beachcomber

DOES your hat express you? Someone who is obviously an "expert" says that of himself who is quite sure of himself wears his hat with an individuality which is impossible to the limit.

So sure of myself am I that I have two hats. One, for informal occasions, has no brim. It is a smart crown worn close to the head. The other, for formal occasions, is a wide brim, without any crown, a kind of eyeshade continued all round the head.

They can if they want to

"GURFES." I read, "cannot

cough." A mere generalization, you cry. What are you ignorant of the experiments made at Thurley in County Tipperary in 1933? A veterinary zoologist went up a ladder with a little silver hammer in his hand. He tickled the long, long throat a-winding into the land of his dreams. He blew smoke down it, inducing the grating to open its mouth on the presence of a wanted to tell its tale by its teeth. He puffed 1,114 milligrams of copious for out of a thing that looked like a be-texed. The cough did not cough. Therefore, said he, it is now proved that it cannot cough, and he went home. But local tradition says that the minute he was gone, the grating coughed. The coughing blew the hat off a baker, broke a window, and sent into screaming hysterics a girl who was singing

"Rose of Mooncrahn" in the Sugar Beet factory.

Dorothy Osborne

by the fire

A NOTE about the portrait of Dorothy Osborne which can now be seen in the National Gallery sent me a letter. I took that should be re-read every year. In my copy I had marked this curious passage:

My brother and Mr. Gibson were talking by the fire, and I sat by, but as no part of the company. Amongst other things (which I did not at all mind) they fell into a discourse of flattery, and both agreed that it was very possible to find out a way that people might fly like birds, and

that was a word which I had never seen up at that, and desired they would say a little more in for I had said it in the beginning; but instead of that they both fell into so violent a laughing that I shook my head and said, "I think of something suitable to say. Then, inspired, he shouted down to them, "Bong voyage, folks!"

That was written in 1683.

Wrong way round

AND now let me emulate the film

magnate who was being seen off at Southampton by a host of friends and admirers. As he went, he

appeared so much courted in such an art, but they little knew of what use it might have been to me. Yet, smoke down it, inducing the grating to open its mouth on the presence of a wanted to tell its tale by its teeth. He puffed 1,114 milligrams of copious for out of a thing that looked like a be-texed. The cough did not cough. Therefore, said he, it is now proved that it cannot cough, and he went home. But local tradition says that the minute he was gone, the grating coughed. The coughing blew the hat off a baker, broke a window, and sent into screaming hysterics a girl who was singing

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## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

### EASTER RACE MEETING

Saturday, 12th & Monday, 14th April, 1952

(Held under the Rules of The Hong Kong Jockey Club)

The First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12.00 Noon, each day. The fifth interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

There are twelve races each day (24 in all). Through Tickets at \$48.00 each may be obtained at the Comptroller's Office of the Jockeys, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting on 14th April as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Hong Kong Derby" scheduled to be run on 31st May, 1952.

Through Tickets reserved for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 11th April, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at—

5, D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong  
 or  
 382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

### TOTALISATOR

The attention of Totalisator Investors is drawn to the following rules—

Dividends will be paid on the winning and placed ponies so declared by the Stewards when the "All Clear" is given. The "All Clear" signal will be indicated by a white light at the Totalisator Tower. BACKERS ARE ADVISED NOT TO DESTROY OR THROW AWAY THEIR TICKETS UNTIL AFTER THE "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL HAS BEEN EXHIBITED.

Totalisator Tickets should be examined and checked before leaving the Selling Counters as mistakes of any description cannot be rectified later.

Cash received in respect of Dividends should be checked before leaving the Pay-Out Counters as no claim for short payment of the value of tickets presented can be entertained once investors have left the Counters.

All winning tickets and tickets for refunds must be presented for payment at the Race Course on the day to which they refer, but none will be paid later than one hour after the time for which the last race of the day has been scheduled to be run.

In no circumstances will any Dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment WILL NOT be made on torn or disfigured tickets.

### MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

MEMBERS ARE INFORMED THE 1952 SETS OF MEMBERS' AND LADIES' BADGES NOW SUPERSEDE THE PREVIOUS ISSUE.

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Room at \$10.00 per day including tax for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Telephone House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices, the Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10.00 a.m. each day. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Bay (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$3.00 including tax for all persons including Ladies, and will be payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Public Enclosure during a Meeting will forfeit his or her right of admission to the Enclosure and will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00. In order to gain re-admission.

No re-admission tickets will be issued in future.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

### SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the congestion in the Members' Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order,  
 H. MISA,  
 Secretary.

# COMBINED SERVICES GAVE MACAO THE BEST MATCH OF THE SEASON

Says "STICKS"

This week-end two service teams and two King George V School girls' teams visited Macao for what turned out to be a memorable week-end's sport, in spite of the weather.

The first match on Saturday afternoon was the game between the two KGV teams, which was organised to encourage the Macao ladies to play hockey, with the ultimate object of playing a Ladies' Interport hockey match annually alongside the men's event.

Despite the weather, which consisted of almost continuous rain, the ladies gallantly took the field, and notwithstanding the slippery ground, they played an excellent demonstration match, the "A" team against the "B" team.

Despite the different League standings of these two teams, it was a very even game and although the junior team were younger and weaker, they seemed to combine better together, and their defence was very sound.

Their great shortcoming was an inability to shoot goals once they had got the ball in their opponents' circle. However, when at half-time the score stood at nil-all, there were high hopes that the "B" team might pull off a surprise victory, but this was not to be.

Soon after the interval Hilary Hale, the senior team inside left, scored from a corner and a few minutes later Hilary scored again when the "B" team goalkeeper almost stopped her shot, but overbalanced and was unable to prevent the ball trickling into the goal.

The next event, and the main attraction, was the Combined Services team against the Macao "A" team, and after the example of the ladies, this could not possibly be postponed till the next morning on account of the weather.

### SUPER-FAST

Right from the start it was obvious that, even in the rain, the game was going to be a super-fast, aggressive game on both sides. Within two minutes of the start James, the Services' centre-forward, just missed scoring, and in the next minute Macao also just missed.

Then, in the first ten minutes, Ricci, the home centre forward, found an open space in the visitors' circle and made no mistake with his shot, thus rather dashing the Combined Services' hopes.

Throughout the game the stickwork of both sides was a treat to watch, the Macao half-line, with their pass-intercepting technique, being especially good.

Towards half-time the visitors equalled when James, following up hard behind a shot, scored with a reversed-stick flick. But a few minutes later Macao were again in the lead when Almeida, the outstanding Macao left winger, scored his first goal.

Changing over with the score 2-1, there was no let-up in the cracking pace and soon after the resumption of play Brown on the left wing took a corner for the visitors and, cutting quickly into the centre, scored an opportunistic goal by deflecting the resulting shot into the net.

Not long after the visitors took

## FARINA WILL COMPETE AT INDIANAPOLIS

Turin, Apr. 7. Nino Farina, the Italian motor racing hero who is in hospital with rib injuries following his crash in the Valentine Grand Prix here yesterday, said today that he will compete in the Indianapolis Grand Prix later this season.

Farina will again drive one of the new Ferrari 4500-cc cars at Indianapolis.

Just before his crash yesterday Farina had clocked a record lap at an average speed of 124.752 kilometres per hour. The race was won by Luigi Villorelli, of Italy, who also drove a Ferrari 4500-cc car.

Farina is expected to be in hospital for a fortnight.—Reuter.

## NOTICE

Attention is drawn to the following regulation regarding admission to the Public Enclosure on race days, effective as from 1st April, 1952:—

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# STALIN'S whispering ATHLETES

HOW strong is the challenge which the Russians are preparing for the Helsinki Olympic Games this summer? HYLTON CLEAVON has interviewed men who have seen the Russians in training. Here is his answer:

PREPARE TO SHOW THE WORLD...

The Russians are to enter for every event in the Olympic Games at Helsinki in July, so at once we find anxiety here—and elsewhere. Everything is going to be spoiled, say many people. But why should it be?

The Russians showed excellent sportsmanship in the European Championships at Brussels in 1950; and we can beat them, as we did then.

Russia's entry into world sport is a healthy and hopeful symptom at a time of malady.

At Brussels Russia won six gold medals, five silver and six bronze—most of them going to women.

Britain won eight gold medals, three silver and six bronze, most of them going to men. But why worry about what road in pickle Russia has for us now? This is sport, not politics.

NO FUSS When E. Sechenova, the great sprinter, was beaten by Fanny Blankers-Koen in the 100 and 200 metres she was the first to offer her hand; and when USSR were mistakenly placed second in the women's relay, and the slow-motion film showed that June Foulds had really snatched this distinction for England, the Russians returned their medals without fuss.

The Russian team seemed aloof, partly because they spoke no language but their own and few others spoke Russian, but chiefly because they were regimented.

I have been hearing from Aaro Lane, sports editor of a Finnish newspaper, who recently stayed 10 days in Leningrad and Moscow at the invitation of the Soviet Sports Committee. Lane says that Soviet sports life bears a stamp of mystery, not only to the outside world.

Collecting autographs is unknown to the youth of the USSR. Lane never saw a photographer in the swimming baths, where high-standard water polo was being played between six teams in a series. Nor were the results of matches published next day.

The first catch-as-catch-can wrestling match between Finland and Russia ended in a victory for the Russians by 8-0, but in the Press was only a single paragraph. Not one Russian sports writer had any questions to put to the Finns.

SO STUDIOUS Here is one reason why Soviet athletes abroad cannot adapt their ideas to interviews. They expect the same quiet elusive atmosphere as at home. Preparation for sport is for them as studious a matter as reading books.

At training time discussions are held and advice is given in a whisper. One movement of the coach's hand, one blast on the whistle commands utter silence. Instructions are carried out immediately. Every action by the athlete shows absolute concentration.

Leningrad's indoor hall was built in 1892 and used first as a riding track. By 1949 it was ready for 14 different athletic events. It now has a 250 metre track, with three standard-size lanes, dirt-surfaced with a layer of crushed coal.

The centre can be partitioned off by nets for football. Outside the track at one end is a practice pitch for basketball. Near the entrance is a spread mat intended for wrestling, but used for gymnastics by football players.

SCHOOLS FIRST This hall is available daily to 1,000 athletes from 9 a.m. till midnight. First come the schools, then the university students; lastly the workers.

In the Dynamo Football Club premises the doctor alone has control of 12 rooms, including a fully equipped dispensary, an X-ray department and an artificial sun-room.

The gymnasium the floor is covered by an immense and magnificent Persian carpet. There are five of these in stock, all in thick.

Vladimir Lavruschenko, most talented gymnast on the horse, admitted to Aaro Lane that the Russians have only a superficial knowledge of obligatory movements in the Olympic Games. Yet Lane saw him execute the final part of the obligatory on parallel bars perfectly.

Meanwhile, Helsinki has been visited by two representatives of the Soviet sports committee in order to acquaint themselves with the conditions.

The vice-chairman of this sports committee told Lane that in the whole of Russia there are 400,000 active wrestlers and 10 million young athletes—not including school or university students. There are four-year courses for the degree of athletics teacher and other instructional institutes as well.

MAGIC? NO Aaro Lane, who went to Moscow, saw athletes training in one central spot. I am quite sure that if one Russian came here we could show him a great deal more than that, beginning with the Boat Race, and ending with the Cup Final. We also could show him the committee rooms at Twickenham or the dressing accommodation at Highbury.

I am convinced that there is no magic about the Russian preparation for Helsinki, which is nothing other than a normal training routine for serious people. And I am equally sure that their finest athletes are no more to be feared than ours, and are just as human.

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£50 A Match For Lindwall

London, Apr. 7. Ray Lindwall, Australian Test cricketer and fast bowler, arrived in England today aboard the liner Stratheden to play in the Lancashire League—at £50 a match.

He has a £1,300 contract to play in 28 Saturday matches for Nelson. And every time he makes 50 runs or takes six wickets in a match there will be a collection for him among the spectators.

The speed of his deliveries has been estimated at 90 miles an hour.

Lindwall has brought his 19-year-old wife with him. They will have the choice of several furnished houses, which have been sorted out for them by the Club.

Also aboard the Stratheden were seven West Indian players taking jobs with Lancashire League clubs.—Reuter.

LADIES' Hockey Trial Match On Thursday

A trial match will be played on Thursday at Suokunpoo, bully-off at 5.30 p.m., to select a Rest team to play the Champions of the Ladies' Hockey League, the Gremlins.

The following ladies are asked to attend and are requested to bring a white and a coloured shirt with them:

Probables: Doreen Ozorio, Marjorie Roberts, Sylvia Franklin, Ann Sainsbury, Beatrice Gennys, Doreen Handyside, Stella Corcoran, Claire Negus, Lillian Brand, Adi Tamworth and Sheila Hall.

Possibles: Shina Graham, Cumming, Shirley Winterton, Elvie Tsok, Sheila Silva, Jet Borren, Nina Gonsalves, Joan Crighton, Lily Danenberg, Valerie Jillett, Hilary Hale and Doreen Gibbons.

Reserves: Jean Hyase, Deborah Harbath, Rita Marques, Pauline Kent.

All are asked to be on the ground promptly and if they are unable to attend are requested to contact a member of the Committee or Mr G. T. Palmer (Tel. 27781 or 28244).

HASHIM KHAN BEATS KARIM

London, Apr. 7. Hashim Khan, of Pakistan, the holder, won the British Open Championship for the second successive year tonight when, in the final at the Lansdowne Club, London, he beat Mahmoud Karim, of Egypt, 9-5, 9-7, 9-0.

He also beat the Egyptian last year and now has four successes to his credit in major events over Mahmoud Karim, a former holder of the British title.—Reuter.

COLONY FENCING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The following qualified for the final of the open event in the Colony Open Fencing Championships at the European YMCA yesterday:

Pool 1—1. T. L. Tompling; 2. L. Humphreys; 3. C. M. Day; 4. P. S. S. Wake. Pool 2—1. M. J. Cowley; 2. L. Daniels; 3. G. Ozorio; 4. T. Lee.

The final of the foil competition will take place at the European YMCA at 8 p.m. to-morrow. Finals of the other weapons will be held at 7 p.m. to-morrow.

## H.K. Olympic Team To Leave On July 11

At a meeting of the Amateur Sports Federation and Olympic Committee held at Victoria Recreation Club yesterday, it was announced that members of the Hongkong team taking part in the Olympics at Helsinki will leave the Colony by air on July 11.

Scheduled to arrive four days later, the swimming team will have ten days to get acclimatised, before taking part in the swimming events, said Mr. A. O. de Sales, Hon. Secretary of the Olympic Committee. He added that the team will leave Helsinki on August 4.

Mr. Sales said that between July 1 and August 31, no visas or passports are required to enter Finland. Special identification cards will be issued to participants.

Speaking of support for the Olympic fund, Mr. Sales said that contributions from various sports associations are still forthcoming. South China's contribution will be the sale of a football game against the Army.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. F. H. Skinner, the President of the Committee.

Ulster Rifles Win Boxing Championship

The 1st Bn, The Royal Ulster Rifles, won the Far East Land Forces Boxing Championship recently concluded in Singapore.

The Battalion qualified for the finals by defeating the REME 10-1 in the semi-final bout. The RUR team repeated their splendid performances in the fight for the Championship and beat the Manchester Regiment by the same score on April 4.

The champion team, it is learned, will be accorded the usual reception by the Royal Ulster Rifles on their return to Hongkong about April 18.

Manila Team Due Tomorrow

Manila, Apr. 8. A 19-man Manila Interport soccer team headed by Coach Emilio Ugarte will leave for Hongkong early tomorrow morning for a series of three games.

In a last hour change in the line-up, San Beda College's Roberto Castillo made the team regular centre-half, René Nieto withdrew due to pressure of work.

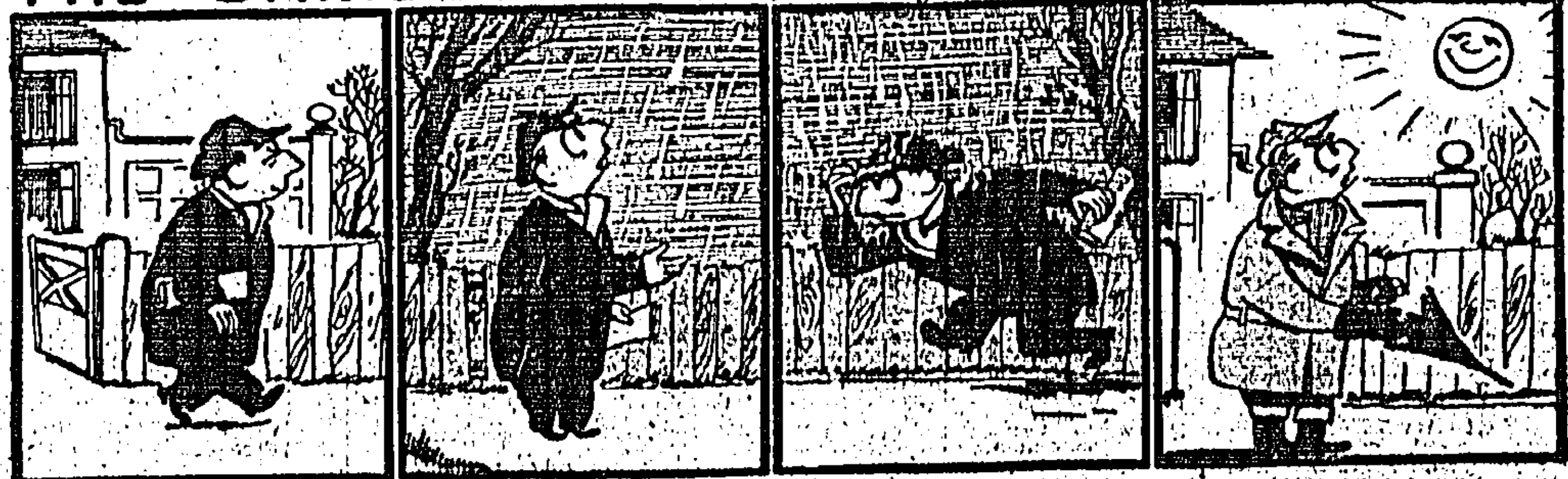
Three other alternatives who were recently included were Jose Reinos, Juan Castillo and Ignacio Vicente.—France-Press.

Nigel Howard To Lead Lancashire

Manchester, Apr. 7. Nigel Howard, who recovered from pleurisy, which kept him out of the concluding matches of the MCC team's tour of India and Ceylon, and has accepted an invitation to lead Lancashire again this summer.

Howard, who captained the MCC, is to undergo a minor nasal operation but is expected to be fit for the start of the season.—Reuter.

## THE GAMBOLS





## A ROWING MAN TALKS ABOUT

## The Penalties That Go With The Glory Of The Boat Race

By JOHN WATERMAN

The time was 4 p.m. The Oxford and Cambridge boats had been stowed away in the boat-house after their outing. The critics were speeding back to Fleet Street for a further bout of speculation on the Boat Race result. The performers, meanwhile, relaxed.

Sunk in armchairs at the Hurlingham Club were the Oxford crew, wrapped like white cocoons in thick sweaters and trousers made of blanket material. Soothing and stately, some Haydn played on a gramophone. One white figure got up and gazed, hands in pockets, out of the tall windows to the daffodil beds and lawns. At a table four played Mah Jong.

## TWO HORSES SHUDDER AT FILM SHOW

Nottingham, England, Apr. 7.

The newsreel taken at the Grand National steeplechase was shown at the Odeon Theatre on Monday for an audience of two horses—Eastern Silver, an 11-year-old chestnut, and stablemate Black Diamond. Both Eastern Silver and Black Diamond are steeplechasers, although of more modest ability than the 47 top-rankers who ran in the Grand National at Aintree last Saturday.

Owner-trainer Frank Cotton said showing them the newsreel was a switch on the psychology of the rooster in the old story. This wily bird introduced the hen to an ostrich egg as an example of what it can do if you try hard.

FLINCHED Eastern Silver and Black Diamond watched the movie intently. Both shuddered when ten horses went down at the first fence. They flinched from time to time as the other murderous Aintree jumps out the field from 47 starters to ten survivors at the finish.

The film lasted 15 minutes. When it finished Black Diamond was sweating as hard as though he had just run the Grand National personally. Eastern Silver just looked placid. —Associated Press.

## Another Replay For Hearts And Motherwell

Glasgow, Apr. 7. Hearts and Motherwell replayed their Scottish Cup semi-final at Hampden Park today and were still level at one goal each after extra time. The match will be replayed again.

The winners of this game meet Dundee in the Scottish Cup final on April 19. Both goals today were scored in the first half. Rutherford netting for Hearts and Watson for Motherwell.

The two teams shared two goals at Hampden Park just over a week ago.

Most of the good football today came in the extra time. More than 80,000 people had little about which to enthuse after a notable start, in which they could have been excused in looking for a crop of goals. Seven minutes after the start Watson scored his goal and within four minutes Rutherford equalised for Hearts. —Reuter.

## HOME SOCCER RESULTS

London, Apr. 7. The following were the results of football matches played today:

FA Cup Semi-final Replay Arsenal 3 Chelsea 0 (played at Tottenham).

Scottish Cup Semi-final Replay Hearts 1 Motherwell 1 (after extra time) (played at Hampden Park).

First Division Newcastle Utd 1 Blackpool 3 —Reuter.

## Rugger Results

London, Apr. 7. The following were the results of rugby games played today:

RUGBY UNION North 11, Bridgend 6. Pontypool 17, Llanelli 3. Devonport Services 3, Captain Crawshaw's team 3. Penzance and Newlyn 3, Croes Keys 7.

RUGBY LEAGUE Wigan 6, Barrow 6. Bradford Northern 12, York 6. —Reuter.

## SURREY'S NEW SKIPPER



Stuart Surridge, who will lead Surrey in the forthcoming cricket season, finds one of the best ways of keeping fit and to build up his bowling strength is to help in the felling of willows in Essex ready to be made into cricket bats at his factory.

He finds the splitting and sawing of the felled trunks a splendid way of improving stamina. —Central Press Photo.

## Hope For All

By HENRY LONGHURST

When books by distinguished golfers come my way, especially from across the Atlantic, I turn first to see what they have to say about putting.

This is because in the longer departments of the game, whereas I am quite prepared to accept their theories as gospel, it is no use preaching it to stout, middle-aged week-enders who could attain the positions shown in the photographs only at the risk of severe physical injury.

Putting, however, is common ground, or common agony, to us all. "The game's most neglected feature...not just some kind of knack, like wiggling your ears," Johnny Farrell calls it in "The Week-end Golfer" (Herbert Jenkins, 9s. 6d.). A past U.S. champion, Farrell will long be remembered for his shot over the refreshment tent in the 1929 Ryder Cup match at Moor-town.

"A game in itself...the one phase of golf in which practically no concrete ideas have been proved necessarily successful," says Cary Middlecoff, ex-dentist and another U.S. champion, in "The Golf Doctor" (Nicholas Kaye, 12s. 6d.).

## UNANIMOUS VOTE

Golfing instructors talk with a multitude of tongues. Unanimity on a single process is a rare jewel. I prick up my ears, therefore, on noticing Middlecoff to say, in Italian, "This is the one point on which I can definitely say all good putters agree." He cannot think of one good putter on the professional tour, he declares, who does not have his eyes directly over the ball. In other words, however you stand and whatever club you use, a coin dropped from the bridge of your nose should land on the ball.

A very tall man himself, Middlecoff asks why a person 5ft. 4in. tall should use the same length putter as a six-footer. When, in 1948, he was putting so badly as almost to quit the profession, Lloyd Mangrum induced him to try a putter two and a half inches longer than regulation—since which he has never looked back.

The great Hogan, incidentally, though only my own height, uses a putter which I found noticeably long. The idea, says Middlecoff, is not only that you can get your eye more surely over the ball, but that "I could, by simply turning my eyes, see the entire trick from my ball to the hole. In a crouched position I had to turn my whole neck and shoulders."

This sent my mind back to Cotton some years ago when, having lined up for a short putt, he would move down the shaft about six inches and play it from there. In this way, he explained, his eye was no longer caught, and mesmerised by the hole.

I have for many years maintained that short putts are a

## ARSENAL ENTER FA CUP FINAL

London, Apr. 7. Arsenal reached the FA Cup final for the sixth time when they outplayed Chelsea to win today's semi-final replay 3-0.

Three times winners of the trophy, Arsenal will now meet Newcastle United, the holders in the final at Wembley Stadium on May 3.

This will revive memories of the controversial 1932 final, when Newcastle won 2-1 after equalising with a disputed goal. Arsenal claimed that the ball was hooked back over the goal line and films confirmed this view.

Opportunist right-winger Freddy Cox scored two of Arsenal's goals and made the third scored by inside-left Doug Lishman. Cox scored Arsenal's goal on Saturday. It was also a goal by Cox which put Chelsea out of the Cup in a semi-final replay on the same ground two years ago.

## EFFECTIVE DEFENCE

The standard of today's football was not very high but Arsenal's defence was much more effective than on Saturday. Smith and Barnes subdued the Chelsea wingers and the half-backs kept a firm grip on the game in the middle.

Consequently Chelsea were never able to get moving smoothly though they had hard after the interval when they launched repeated attacks in an effort to equalise the first-half goal scored by Cox.

But two goals in four minutes by Cox and Lishman discouraged Chelsea, and Arsenal, the better balanced side all round, finished triumphantly.

Chelsea were rarely in the picture after an injury to left-half Dickson, who was switched to the attack.

Cox scored his first goal with a fierce angled drive from close in after 14 minutes. His second was a header which went in off the far post after 28 minutes in the second half.

Lishman's goal four minutes later was headed in from a pass by Cox.

The official attendance was 57,450.—Reuter.

## No Victoria Club Callover On FA Cup Final

London, Apr. 7. There was no callover at the Victoria Club, London, tonight on the Football Association Cup with the semi-final now complete such as had featured the earlier rounds.

One of London's leading book-makers, however, quoted Arsenal as the favourite to win both the Cup and the Division I League Championship honours and the odds against the Highbury club completing the double were only 11 to 4.

They were quoted at 5 to 4 on to beat Newcastle in the Cup and at 2 to 1 against for the League Championship. At the present time they are level on points in the League with the leaders, Manchester United, and have a game more.—Reuter.

## BAKERS WERE VICTORS



Fourteen teams took part in the seven-a-side soccer competition for the Lane Crawford Football Shield and Challenge Cup and, after many hard games, the Bakery Department came out on top.

The winning team, as they line up here, are, reading from the left:

Ng Sum-fook, Lee Kam-ling, Leung Fai and Lee Tai-din (in the back row), C. F. Robinson, Chan Kow and Siu Yuen. — Photo by Ross Miller.

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## John Macadam's Column

## ...SO THOSE BOMBS ARE OUT, BOYS

It seems that the Olympic Games in Helsinki this summer aren't going to be so simple, after all, despite all the pious hopes that have been expressed about them.

We have just received some of the Customs instructions governing the arrival of overseas competitors and, really, it would appear that the Finns have an odd impression of what they have to face in the invasion.

Team members may take in free of duty various items of equipment and supplies; but there is a notable exception. They will not be entitled to take to Helsinki narcotics and Class 1 poisonous drugs—which appears to place a restriction on the marijuana-smoking of most of the little girls in AAA vests.

This sport-sport attitude of the Helsinki authorities goes even further. Weapons are also subject to regulations. If a competing team are brought in to the country...such weapons, remaining ammunition, etc., must be taken out of the country in the same way.

Now what sort of a way is that to treat an honest brigand from Britain who only wants to have a little innocent fun with a couple of guided missiles and maybe two or three hand grenades?

WHOA, THERE... They are even being big sport-sports about the horses for the equestrian events. They have to be free from disease, and have to be pledged to be taken out of the country at the end of the Games, the impres-

son being that British hunters may be good enough for the Grand National but not good enough for Finland.

Be that as it may...there are other inhibiting factors. We shall not be able to take in more than a quart of strong liquor—forgive us if we ask at this juncture what is strong liquor nowadays—or more than twice that quantity of light liquor.

We are terribly relieved to know that we shall be allowed to take our bicycle, yacht, motor-boats and/or plane, although it isn't going to be so much fun getting these articles back home when the Games are over.

Still, just to have had them there... STADIUM READY. These details resolved, it only remains to be said that everything seems to be going on very well at Helsinki. Latest advice is that the grand stadium we saw in process of erection when we were over there for the F.A. Soccer tour a couple of years back is ready for occupation by the capacity crowds they are assured will be there.

They have installed an illuminated score-board on the best Australian cricket-ground lines, and we believe, having read recent pieces about the British athletic challenge, they have one or two Union Jacks on hand as well as a good working score of "God Save the Queen."

Our own feeling is that they will need both from time to time. —(London Express Service)

## Max Faulkner To Play Best Ball Of Hongkong Trio

Max Faulkner's opponents in the exhibition golf match at Fanning on Saturday will be K.S. Kingston, J.K. Watson, and D.S. Robb. This was decided at a meeting of the Committee of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club yesterday.

The British Open Champion will play the best ball of the three local players, who are regarded as the best in the Club.

The Colony Champion, Captain Peter Smith, unfortunately, will not be in Hongkong during Faulkner's visit as Smith is playing in the Combined Services tournament in Singapore.

Faulkner will play the local trio over 18 holes on the Old Course, starting at 10 a.m. In the afternoon he will give a demonstration of various golf shots.

Members and subscribers of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, and their friends, are welcome to see the British Champion in action.

Faulkner will arrive from Singapore on Friday morning.

## Malayans Wanted

Hongkong Malayans intend to put up a team for the forthcoming Hockey International Tournament. All Malayans hockey players desiring to take part are asked to contact Mr. Chiew Chia Hio, Elliot Hall, Hongkong University.

## TODAY'S SPORT

Fencing Colony fells final pools, European YMCA, 730 p.m.

Soccer 1st Div. Police v. Sing. Ten (Round 2) 8.45 p.m.; Club v. St. Joseph's (Club) 8.45 p.m.

2nd Div. Dairy Farm v. Lane Crawford (Navy 1, Happy Valley) 8.45 p.m.; C.M.S. v. Wayfoong (Navy 2, Happy Valley) 8.45 p.m.; Western v. Rediffusion (C. Hill) 8.45 p.m.; Aces v. C. and W. (Navy, Causeway Bay) 8.45 p.m.

Tennis Hongkong C.C. tournament men's handicap doubles semi-final, 8 p.m.











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